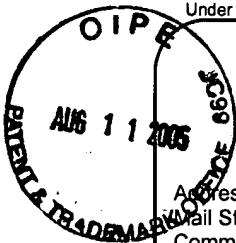


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Art Unit	1756
Examiner Name	John A. McPherson
Attorney Docket Number	9319G-000604

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